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VIENNA FOR IAEA

FOR CASEY AND POLLACK

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SUBJ: URANIUM ENRICHMENT

1. PAUL LOCHAK, P. WYART, WHO HEADS THE ASSOCIATION OF EUROPEAN  
PRODUCERS OF ELECTRICAL POWER (AEPEP), AND HIS DEPUTY IN THAT  
ORGANIZATION CALLED ON ECON MIN AND SCI CON LATE TODAY TO  
DISCUSS POSSIBILITY OF US COOPERATIO IN EURODIF GASEOUS DIFFU-  
SION PLANT. PRIMARILY HEY WISHED TO CONFIRM THE CONTENTS OF  
REF. A. THIS WAS DONE TO THEIR SATISFACTION.

2. WYART STRESSED THAT THE ASSOCIATION HE REPRESENTS DOES NOT SEE  
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ITSELF AS A COMPETITOR TO EURODIF IN DEVELOPING URANIUM ENRICHMENT  
CAPACITY IN EUROPE. THE AEPEP REPRESENTS THE CUSTOMERS. AS CUSTO-

MERS IN SUCH A VITAL INDUSTRY THEY HAVE A GREAT STAKE IN EURODIF'S FUTURE. THE UTILITIES WANT EURODIF TO DEVELOP AS SECURE AND EFFICIENT A PLANT AS POSSIBLE. THEREFORE THEY HOPED THAT US COULD COOPERATE IN DEVELOPING THIS PLANT, I.E., THEY THOUGHT A US-EURODIF COOPERATION WOULD RESULT IN A BETTER PLANT THAN ONE DEVELOPED BY EURODIF ALONE. IN GENERAL THE UTILITIES LOOK TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF A WORLD COOPERATION INTENDED TO GUARANTEE THE SUPPLY OF FUEL FOR THE ELECTRICAL UTILITIES.

3. WYART SAID THAT THE AEPEP WOULD MEET TOMORROW AND DECIDE TO ANNOUNCE THEIR WISH THAT THE US AEC AND EURODIF COOPERATE. WYART IS CONFIDENT THAT THE INFLUENCE OF THE UTILITIES GROUP IS SUFFICIENT TO OVERCOME ANY POSSIBLE OPPOSITION IN EURODIF TO COOPERATION WITH US. HOWEVER, HE POINTED OUT THAT DISCUSSIONS WITH THE US AEC WOULD BE CONTINGENT ON THREE CONDITIONS:

(1) A DELAY OF AT LEAST THREE MONTHS IN BOTH THE AEC DEADLINE FOR ACCEPTING CONTRACTS FOR PRE-1980 PLANTS AND EURODIF'S DEADLINE FOR THE SAME DATE FOR COMMENCING DEVELOPMENT; (2) THAT THERE BE SOME POSSIBILITY OF TRANSFERRING CONTRACTS FROM THE AEC TO THE NEW EURODIF PLANT AFTER 1980; AND (3) THAT THE USG RESPOND BEFORE DECEMBER 8 (DATE ON WHICH PRODUCERS MUST INITIATE DISCUSSIONS WITH AEC BRUSSELS IN ORDER TO SIGN CONTRACT WITH US AEC.)

4. THE AEPEP DECISION WILL BE TRANSMITTED TO EURODIF AND US AEC.

5. COMMENT TO FOLLOW. STONE

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